

JENNINGS COUNTY, INDIANA

Highlights



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Introduction

The first edition of the *County Highlights* was published in 1993. Lillian Miles, then Labor Market Analyst for the Gary Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area, originated the idea for this descriptive area publication.

Highlights are now a web publication and, as a result, the data can be updated throughout the year, not just on an annual basis. These *Highlights* are available in easy-to-use web format but are also printable and e-mailable and provide a snapshot of critical population and workforce statistics for each of Indiana’s 92 counties, 11 Economic Growth Regions, and the State of Indiana.

Each *Highlights* includes an overview of the demographics and workforce of an area, from its population to the size of its labor force and the industry mix of jobs and wages.

Don’t hesitate to contact your regional analyst if you need further information about your area.



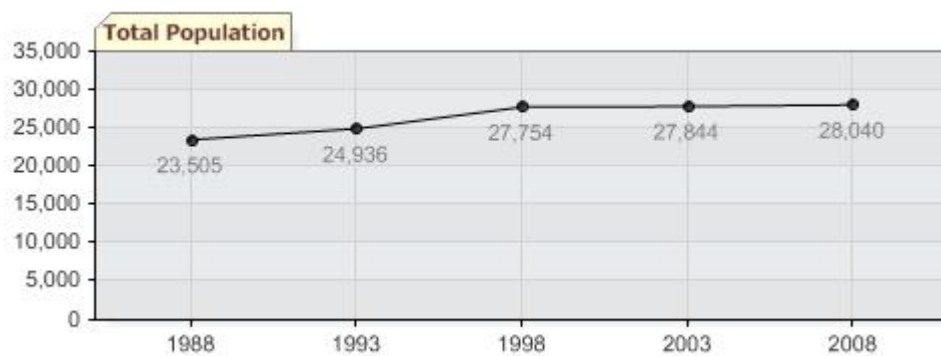
Location

Jennings County is located in southeastern Indiana. The county is bordered on the south by Jefferson County and Scott County. Jennings County is adjacent to Ripley County on the east, Bartholomew County and Decatur County are to the north, and Jackson County to the west. Jennings County is one of the ten counties located in the area designated by the Indiana Department of Workforce Development as Indiana Economic Growth Region 9.

Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

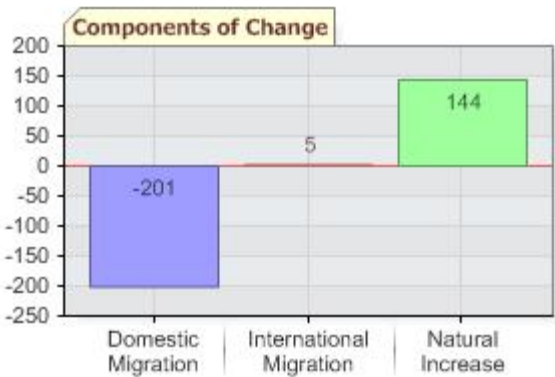
Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	23,505	24,936	27,754	27,844	28,040
Change Since 1988		1,431	4,249	4,339	4,535
Pct. Change Since 1988		6.1%	18.1%	18.5%	19.3%



Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008

	Number
Net Domestic Migration	-201
International Migration	5
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	144
Births	387
Deaths	243



Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Age in 2007

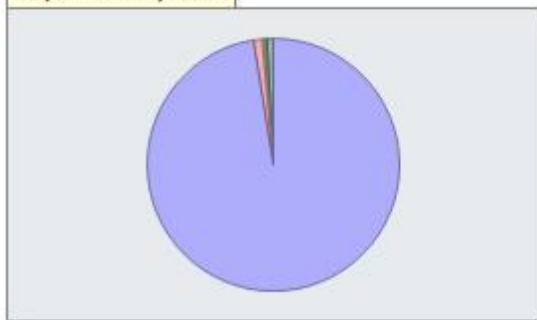
	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	1,923	6.8%
School Age	5,466	19.5%
College Age	1,918	6.8%
Young Adult	8,259	29.4%
Older Adult	7,294	26.0%
Older (65 plus)	3,246	11.6%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	64	0.2%
Asian Alone	106	0.4%
Black Alone	307	1.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	0	0.0%
White Alone	27,393	97.6%
Two or More Race Groups	236	0.8%

Population by Race



97.56 %	White
1.09 %	Black
0.23 %	Am. Ind or Alaskan Native
0.38 %	Asian
0.00 %	Hawaiian and Pac. Isl
0.84 %	Two or More

Hispanic or Latino

Non-Hispanic or Latino	27,721	98.7%
Hispanic or Latino	385	1.4%

Source: US Census Bureau

Households in 2000

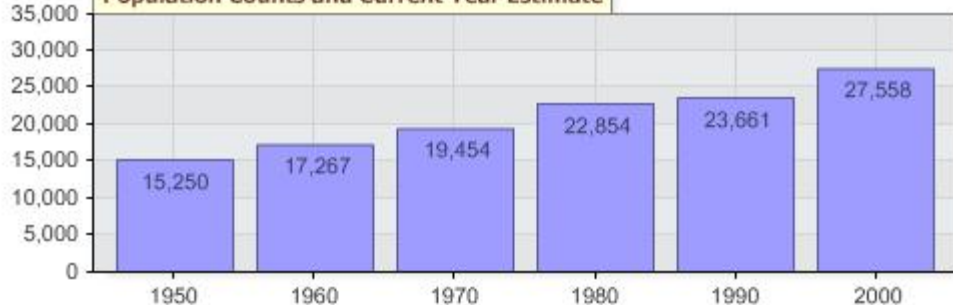
	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	10,134	100.0%
Family Households	7,604	75.0%
Married with Children	2,795	27.6%
Married without Children	3,361	33.2%
Single Parents	898	8.9%
Other	550	5.4%
Non-family Households	2,530	25.0%
Living Alone	2,088	20.6%
Average Household Size	2.73	
Average Family Household Size	3.64	

Source: US Census Bureau

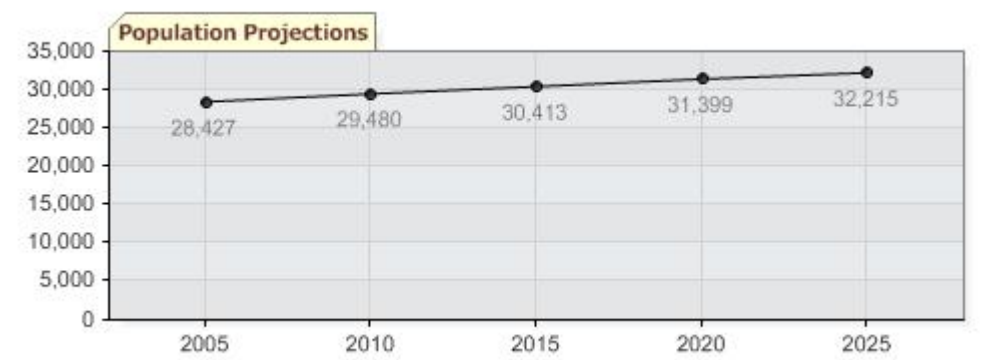
Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate

	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.
1950	15,250	NA	NA
1960	17,267	2,017	13.2%
1970	19,454	2,187	12.7%
1980	22,854	3,400	17.5%
1990	23,661	807	3.5%
April 2000	27,558	3,897	16.5%
2007	N/A	N/A	N/A

Population Counts and Current Year Estimate



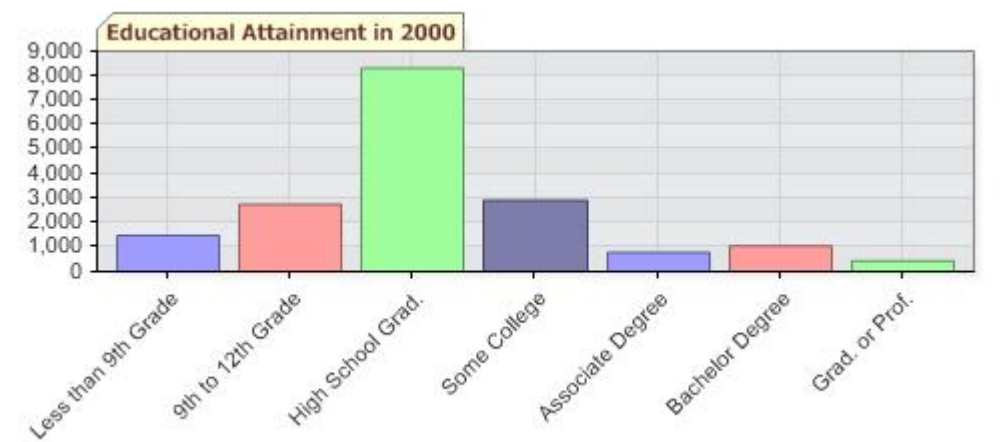
Population Projections					
	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Population Projections	28,427	29,480	30,413	31,399	32,215
Change Since 2005		1,053	1,986	2,972	3,788
Pct. Change Since 2005		3.7%	7.0%	10.5%	13.3%



Education

The level of education of our workforce is a critical factor for economic and community development. It often provides insight into the skill levels of a local area. The metrics provided here focus on the attainment of degrees and high school graduates' higher education intent. The type of work (occupations) residents perform can also assist in understanding skill levels.

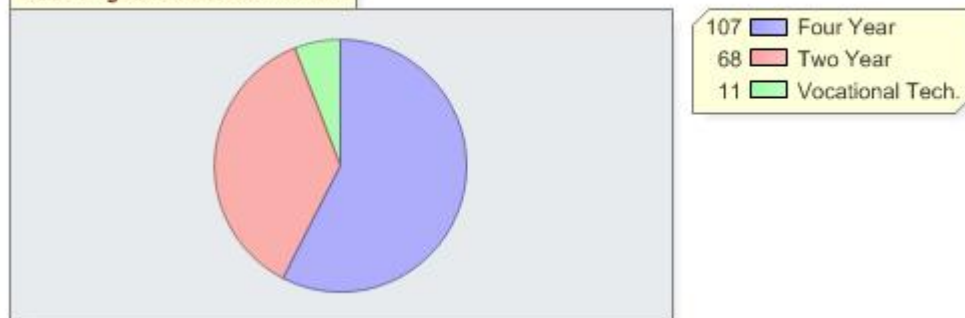
Educational Attainment				
	1970	1980	1990	2000
Total Population 25 and Older	10,160	12,772	14,942	17,709
Less than 9th Grade	3,825	2,944	2,629	1,473
9th to 12th, No Diploma	1,864	2,400	2,738	2,749
High School Graduate (incl. equiv.)	3,549	5,520	6,524	8,313
Some College, No Degree			1,535	2,909
Associate Degree			548	786
Bachelors Degree			462	1,044
Graduate or Professional Degree			506	435



High School Graduates Going on to Higher Education

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total Graduates	247	231	237	254
Total to Higher Education	180	175	185	186
Four-Year Institution	104	127	122	107
Two-Year Institution	73	47	50	68
Vocational/Tech.	3	1	13	11
Military	8	5	6	8

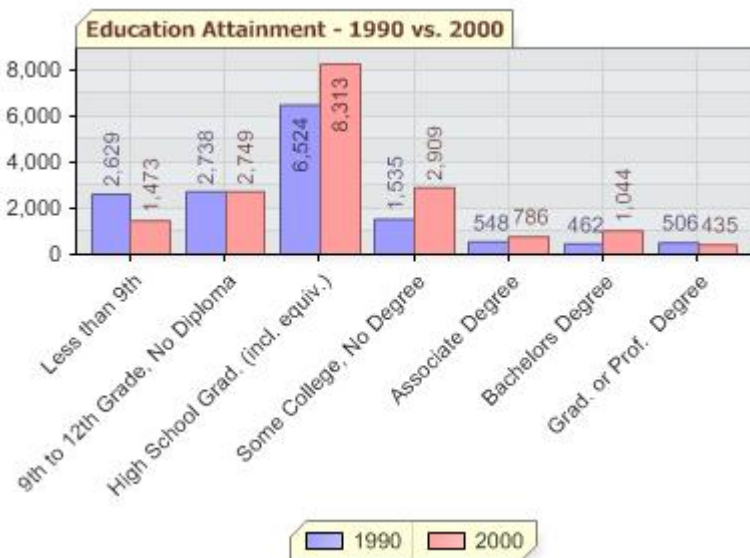
2007 Higher Education Intent



Source: Indiana Department of Education

Educational Attainment in 1990 and 2000

	1990	Pct. of Pop. 25+	2000	Pct. of Pop. 25+
Total Population 25+	14,942	100.0%	17,709	100.0%
Less than 9th Grade	2,629	17.6%	1,473	8.3%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	2,738	18.3%	2,749	15.5%
High School Graduate (incl. equivalency)	6,524	43.7%	8,313	46.9%
Some College, No Degree	1,535	10.3%	2,909	16.4%
Associate Degree	548	3.7%	786	4.4%
Bachelors Degree	462	3.1%	1,044	5.9%
Graduate or Professional Degree	506	3.4%	435	2.5%

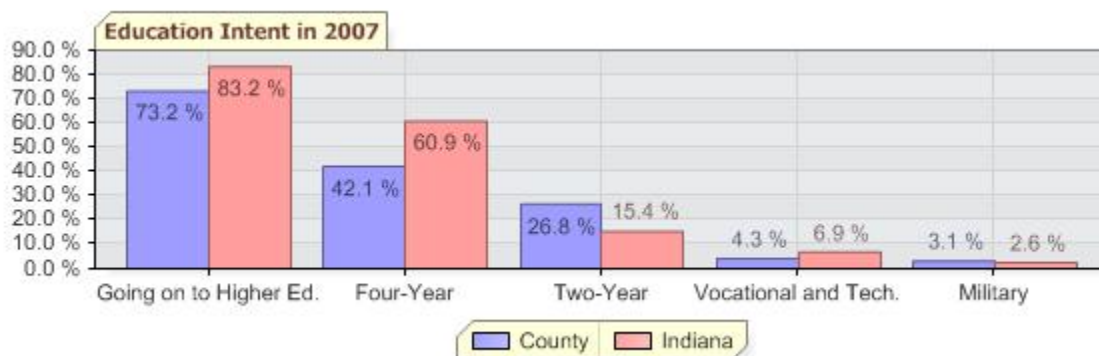


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

High School Graduates Higher Education Intent

	2007 Pct. Dist.	Indiana Pct. Dist.

Graduates	100.0%	100.0%
Total Going on to Higher Education	73.2%	83.2%
Four-Year Institution	42.1%	60.9%
Two-Year Institution	26.8%	15.4%
Vocational and Tech.	4.3%	6.9%
Military	3.1%	2.6%



Source: Indiana Department of Education

Commuting

In Indiana, most workers commute to a job, either within their home county or beyond. Patterns of commuting are significant in showing the labor supply. The county *labor force* represents workers who reside in the county no matter where they work. Two types of commuting patterns are provided here - the Census 2000 *benchmark* and the annual data tabulated from state income tax returns that can help provide a more current view.

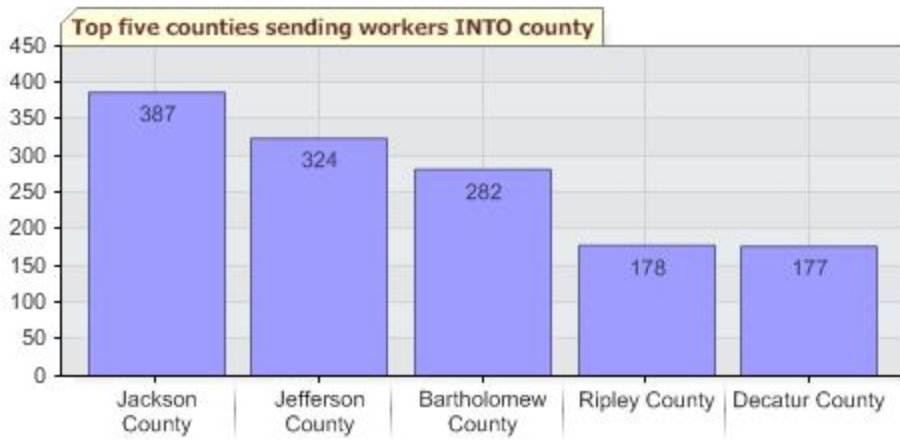
Commuting Data, 2007

	Number
Number of tax filers who live in county and work	18,470
Number of tax filers who work in the county	14,826
Number of tax filers who live in county and work in county	13,075
Number of tax filers who live out of the county and work in county	1,751

Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

Commuting Patterns: Top five counties sending workers INTO county, 2007

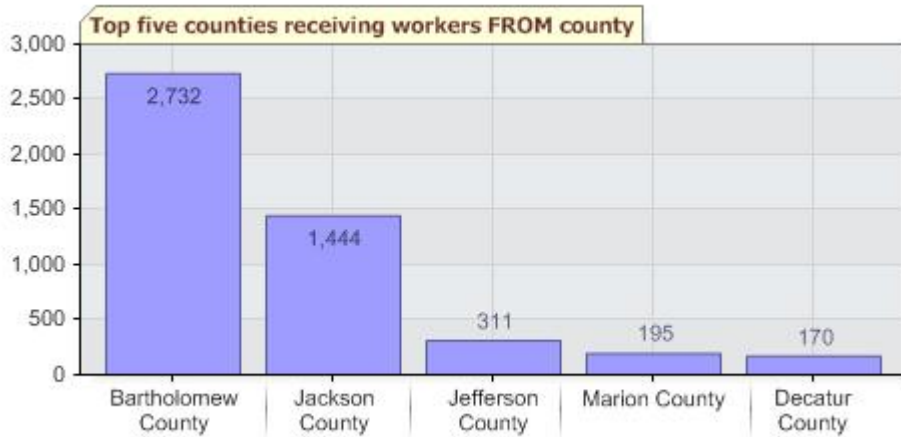
County	Number	Pct. Five County Total
Jackson County	387	29.7%
Jefferson County	324	24.8%
Bartholomew County	282	21.6%
Ripley County	178	13.6%
Decatur County	177	13.2%



Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

Commuting Patterns: Top five counties receiving workers FROM county, 2007

County	Number	Pct. Five County Total
Bartholomew County	2,732	56.3%
Jackson County	1,444	29.8%
Jefferson County	311	6.4%
Marion County	195	4.0%
Decatur County	170	3.5%



Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

Travel To Work in 2000

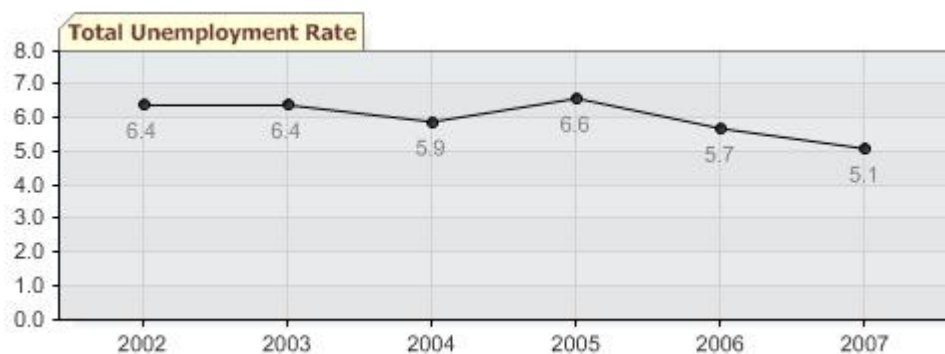
	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Workers Age 16 and Over	12,962	100.0%
Travel To Work	12,675	97.8%
Car, Truck, or Van	12,378	95.5%
Traveled Alone	10,294	79.4%
Carpooled	2,084	16.1%
Used Public Transportation	37	0.3%
Motorcycle, Bicycle, Walked, Other	260	2.0%
Worked At Home	287	2.2%
Average Travel Time (Minutes)	25.2	
Average Travel Time using Public Transportation (Minutes)	32.4	

Labor Force

An area's labor force provides insight on the availability factor and is residence-based - that is, the people are working or seeking work and reside in the particular county or region.

Annual Labor Force Estimates in 2007

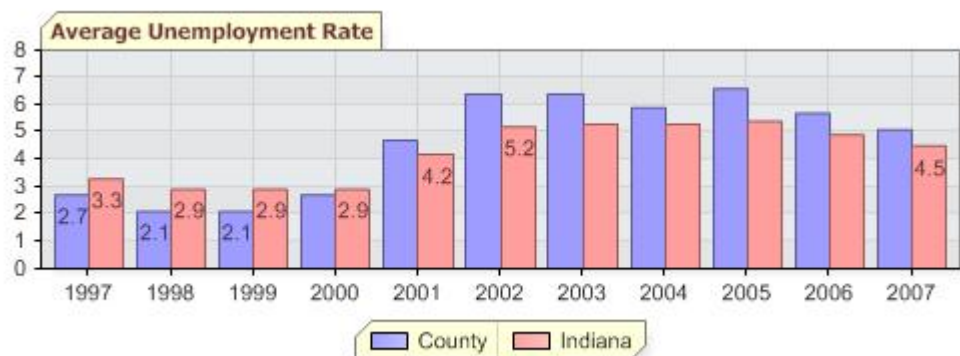
	Number	Pct. Chg. from 2000
Labor Force	13,723	-2.9%
Employed	13,020	-5.3%
Unemployed	703	82.6%
Rate	5.1	88.9%



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Labor Force Estimates

	Labor Force	Emp.	Unemp.	Cnty. Rate	State Rate
1997	14,558	14,161	397	2.7	3.3
1998	14,754	14,447	307	2.1	2.9
1999	14,806	14,492	314	2.1	2.9
2000	14,131	13,746	385	2.7	2.9
2001	14,082	13,422	660	4.7	4.2
2002	13,513	12,651	862	6.4	5.2
2003	13,852	12,966	886	6.4	5.3
2004	13,976	13,155	821	5.9	5.3
2005	13,962	13,039	923	6.6	5.4
2006	13,827	13,032	795	5.7	4.9
2007	13,723	13,020	703	5.1	4.5



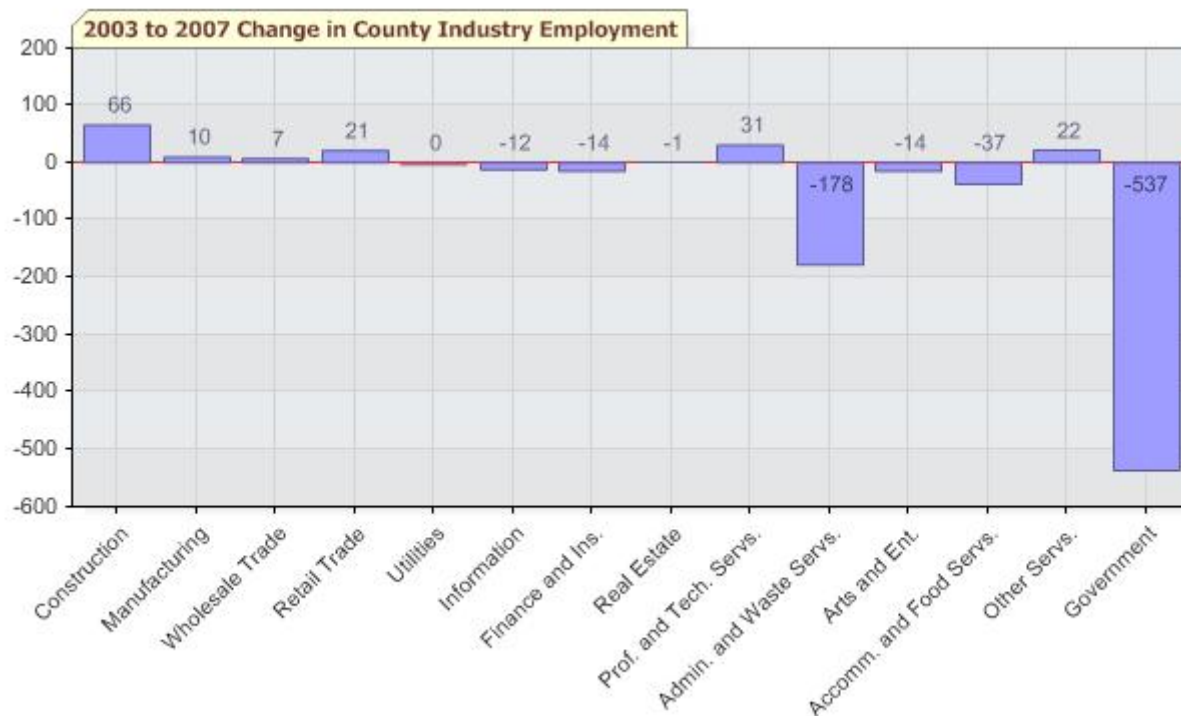
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Employment

Industry employment is tabulated as jobs by place-of-work. Keep in mind that people may hold multiple jobs and that each job is counted by its industry.

Average Employment by Sector

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Change 2003-2007	% Change 2003-2007
Total Employment	8,181	8,346	8,031	7,887	7,923	-258	-3.15%
Total Private Employment	6,360	6,681	6,743	6,654	6,639	279	4.39%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunt	74	D	58	D	D	N/A	N/A
Mining	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Construction	651	692	732	684	717	66	10.14%
Manufacturing	2,116	2,221	2,255	2,147	2,126	10	0.47%
Wholesale Trade	199	197	204	202	206	7	3.52%
Retail Trade	674	661	667	686	695	21	3.12%
Transport. and Warehousing	D	D	D	1,035	1,119	N/A	N/A
Utilities	20	19	18	20	20	0	0.00%
Information	43	42	35	32	31	-12	-27.91%
Finance and Insurance	119	106	103	101	105	-14	-11.76%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	60	58	58	50	59	-1	-1.67%
Professional and Tech. Servs.	63	66	74	86	94	31	49.21%
Mgmt. of Companies	D	D	D	D	0	N/A	N/A
Admin. and Waste Services	320	306	248	176	142	-178	-55.63%
Educational Services	0	0	0	D	D	N/A	N/A
Health Care and Social Assistance	617	649	649	650	641	N/A	N/A
Arts, Entertain., and Recreation	41	38	32	30	27	-14	-34.15%
Accommodation and Food Service	475	494	486	467	438	-37	-7.79%
Other Services	91	90	103	115	113	22	24.18%
Federal, State, & Local Govt.	1,821	1,665	1,288	1,233	1,284	-537	-29.49%

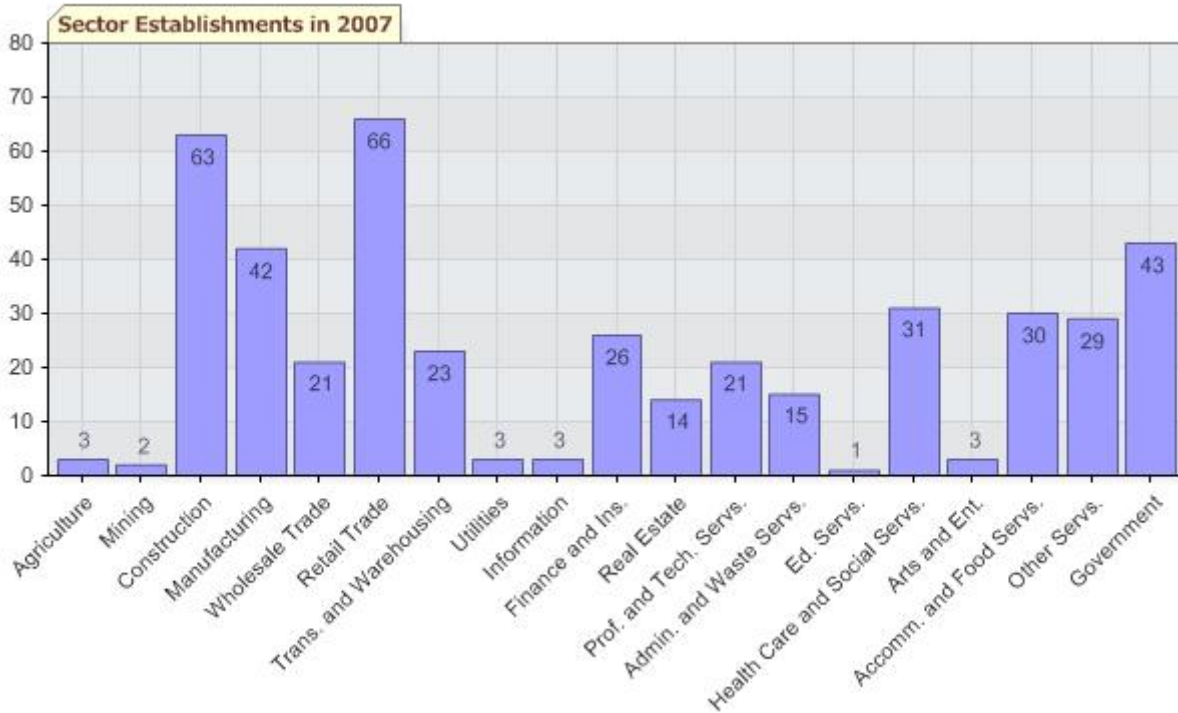


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Establishments by Sector

Change % Change

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2003-2007	2003-2007
Total Establishments	425	421	427	425	438	13	3.06%
Total Private Establishments	385	378	386	385	395	10	2.60%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunt	4	D	4	D	D	-1	-25.00%
Mining	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Construction	61	68	66	63	63	2	3.28%
Manufacturing	47	46	44	42	42	-5	-10.64%
Wholesale Trade	17	18	20	19	21	4	23.53%
Retail Trade	65	61	63	60	66	1	1.54%
Transport. and Warehousing	D	D	D	19	23	N/A	N/A
Utilities	3	3	3	3	3	0	0.00%
Information	4	4	4	4	3	-1	-25.00%
Finance and Insurance	20	20	23	26	26	6	30.00%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	14	12	15	15	14	0	0.00%
Professional and Tech. Servs.	15	16	19	21	21	6	40.00%
Mgmt. of Companies	D	D	D	D	0	N/A	N/A
Admin. and Waste Services	18	16	17	15	15	-3	-16.67%
Educational Services	0	0	0	D	D	N/A	N/A
Health Care and Social Assistance	27	27	28	31	31	4	14.81%
Arts, Entertain., and Recreation	7	7	5	4	3	-4	-57.14%
Accommodation and Food Service	31	30	28	28	30	-1	-3.23%
Other Services	26	25	27	28	29	3	11.54%
Federal, State, & Local Govt.	40	43	41	40	43	3	7.50%



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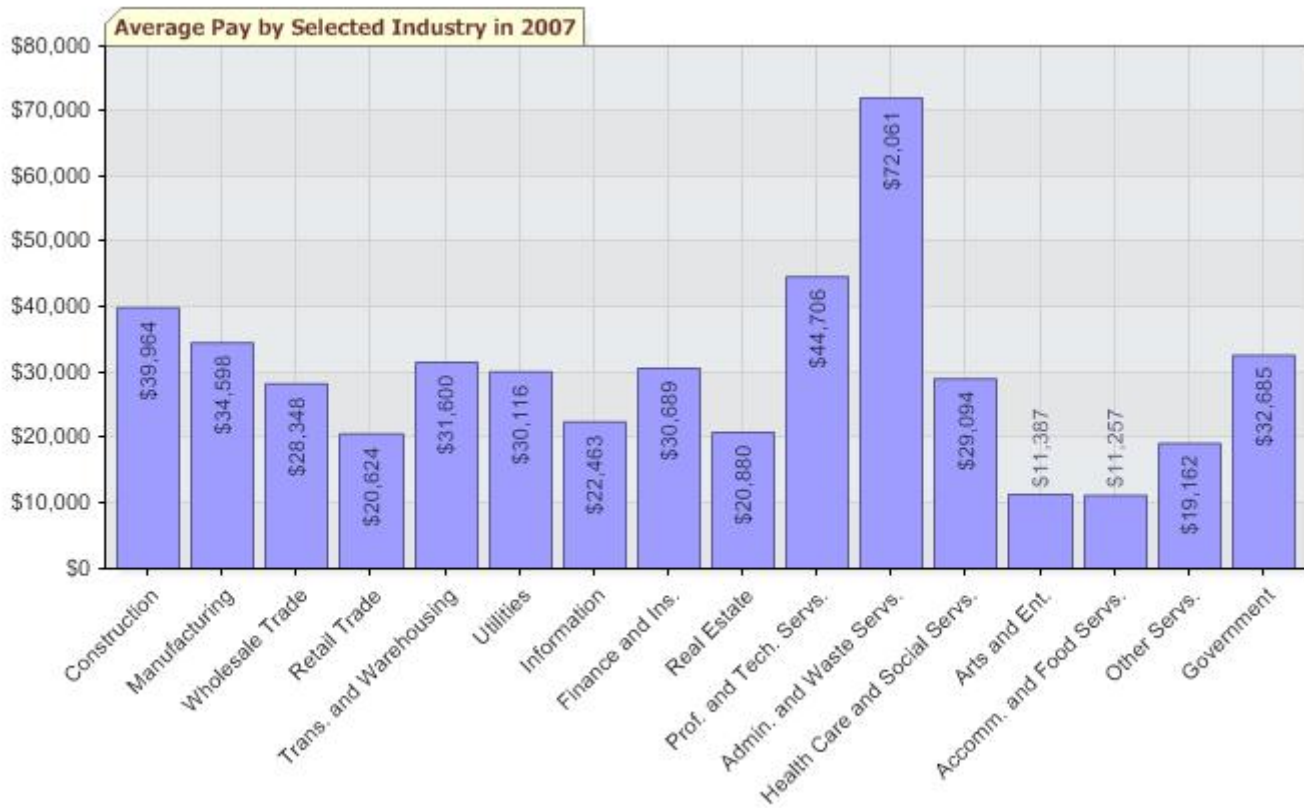
Earnings and Income

Industry employment is tabulated as jobs by place-of-work. Keep in mind that people may hold multiple jobs and that each job is counted by its industry. Note: The income figures and changes are not adjusted for inflation.

Average Annual Earnings by Industry

Change	% Change	Indiana	% of
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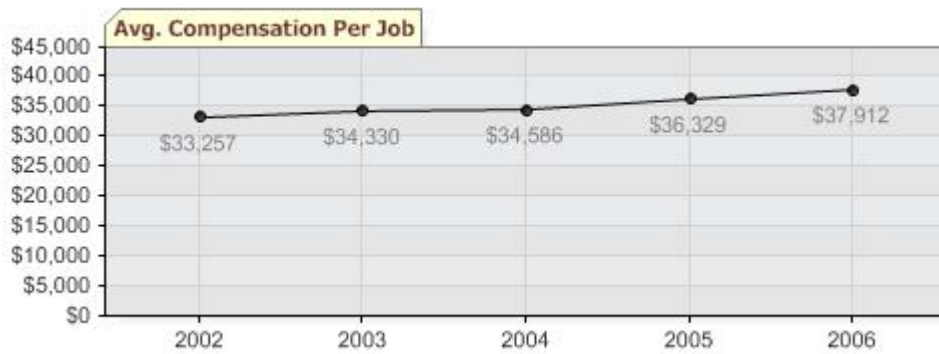
	2003	2007	2003-2007	2003-2007	2007	State
All Industries	\$27,377	\$31,450	\$4,074	14.9%	\$37,530	83.8%
Ag., For., Fishing, & Hunt.	\$25,241	D	N/A	N/A	\$28,008	N/A
Mining	D	D	N/A	N/A	\$57,315	N/A
Construction	\$35,225	\$39,964	\$4,739	13.5%	\$44,754	89.3%
Manufacturing	\$28,748	\$34,598	\$5,850	20.3%	\$51,148	67.6%
Wholesale Trade	\$29,622	\$28,348	-\$1,275	-4.3%	\$51,432	55.1%
Retail Trade	\$17,975	\$20,624	\$2,649	14.7%	\$22,581	91.3%
Trans. & Warehousing	D	\$31,600	N/A	N/A	\$38,012	83.1%
Utilities	\$30,159	\$30,116	-\$43	-0.1%	\$68,267	44.1%
Information	\$22,232	\$22,463	\$231	1.0%	\$46,311	48.5%
Finance & Insurance	\$23,467	\$30,689	\$7,222	30.8%	\$52,649	58.3%
Real Est., Rent., Leasing	\$18,586	\$20,880	\$2,294	12.3%	\$32,614	64.0%
Prof. & Tech. Svcs.	\$31,203	\$44,706	\$13,503	43.3%	\$51,451	86.9%
Mgt.of Companies	D	0	N/A	N/A	\$72,682	N/A
Admin. & Waste Svcs.	\$51,347	\$72,061	\$20,714	40.3%	\$24,934	289.0%
Education Svcs.	0	D	N/A	N/A	\$31,029	N/A
Health Care & Social Assist.	\$23,337	\$29,094	\$5,757	24.7%	\$37,706	77.2%
Arts, Ent. & Rec.	\$11,413	\$11,387	-\$26	-0.2%	\$29,251	38.9%
Accom. & Food Svcs.	\$10,933	\$11,257	\$324	3.0%	\$12,442	90.5%
Other Svcs.	\$19,668	\$19,162	-\$506	-2.6%	\$24,862	77.1%
Fed.I, State & Local Govt.	\$28,701	\$32,685	\$3,984	13.9%	\$37,054	88.2%



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Average Compensation Per Job Over Time

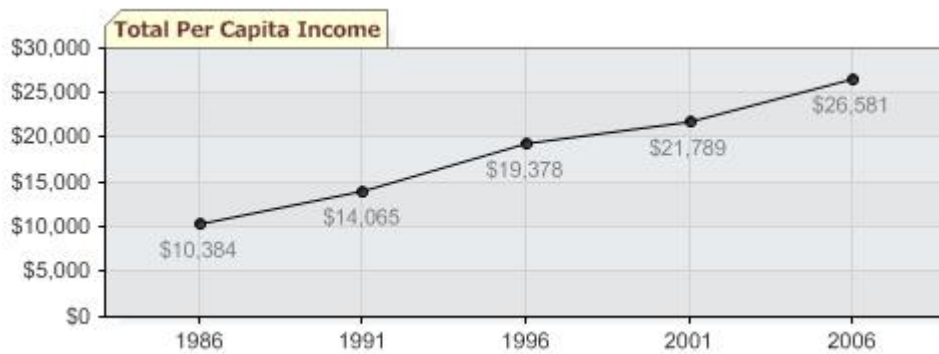
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Avg. Compensation per Job	\$33,257	\$34,330	\$34,586	\$36,329	\$37,912
Change Since 2002		\$1,073	\$1,329	\$3,072	\$4,655
Pct. Change Since 2002		3.2%	4.0%	9.2%	14.0%



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Per Capita Income Over Time

	1986	1991	1996	2001	2006
Total Per Capita Income	\$10,384	\$14,065	\$19,378	\$21,789	\$26,581
Change Since 1986		\$3,681	\$8,994	\$11,405	\$16,197
Pct. Change Since 1986		35.4%	86.6%	109.8%	156.0%



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Income & Wage

	Number
Median family income in 2007 (ACS)	N/A
Median household income in 2007 (ACS)	N/A
Average Wage Per Job in 2007 (BLS)	\$31,447
Wage Growth since 1997 (BLS)	46.8%

Source: US Census Bureau & Bureau of Labor Statistics

Firms and Employment by Size

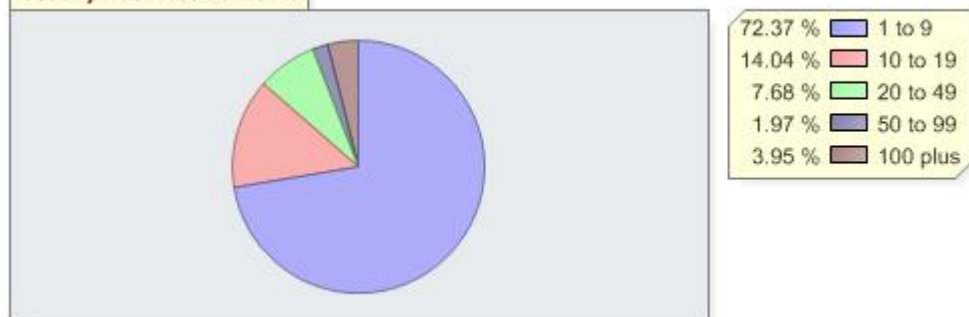
Firm data are available for most counties by the size of the firms and average employment by business unit size.

County Business Patterns, 2006

	Establishments	Number Chg. 01 to 06	Pct.Chg. 01 to 06	Pct. of Total
1-9 employees	330	15	4.8%	72.4%
10-19 employees	64	3	4.9%	14.0%
20-49 employees	35	-3	-7.9%	7.7%

50-99 employees	9	0	0.0%	2.0%
100 plus employees	18	1	5.9%	3.9%
TOTAL	456	16	3.6%	100.0%

County Business Patterns

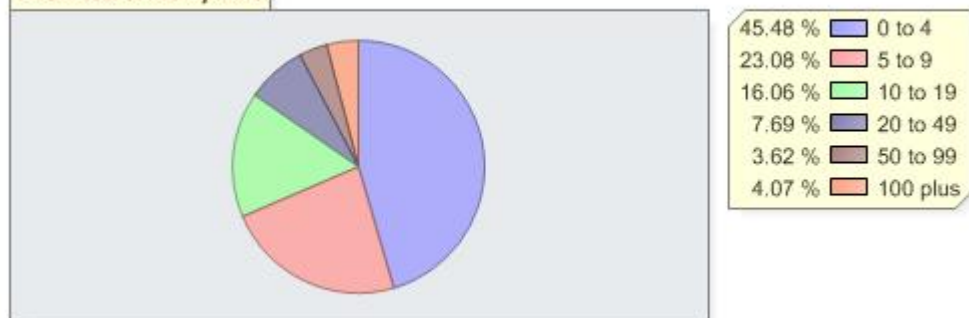


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Firms by Size, 2008:3

	Number of Business Units, 2008:2	Pct. of Total
0 to 4 employees	201	45.5%
5 to 9 employees	102	23.1%
10 to 19 employees	71	16.1%
20 to 49 employees	34	7.7%
50 to 99 employees	16	3.6%
100 plus employees	18	4.1%
TOTAL	442	100.0%

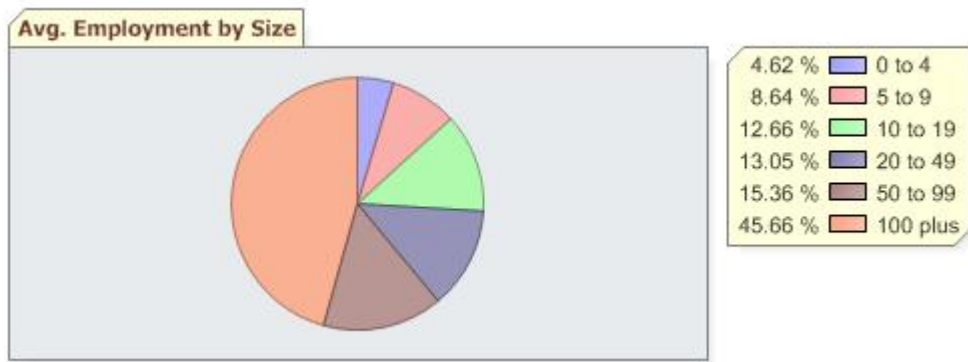
Business Units by Size



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Covered Employment; Note: Business Units with zero employees and Federal Government Employees are included.

Avg. Employment by Business Unit Size, 2008:3

	Avg. Employment, 2008:2	Pct. of Total
0 to 4 employees	358	4.6%
5 to 9 employees	669	8.6%
10 to 19 employees	980	12.7%
20 to 49 employees	1,010	13.0%
50 to 99 employees	1,189	15.4%
100 plus employees	3,535	45.7%
TOTAL	7,742	100.0%



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Covered Employment; Note: Business Units with zero employees and Federal Government Employees are included.